

Claim 45

Lines 6 and 7, delete the phrase "upstream from a forming and filling nozzle cylinder of a form, fill and seal machine".

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Line 4, replace the words "or flange" with --having a lip--.

Line 5, after the word "material", insert the phrase --, said fastener tape being connected to --; delete the phrase "and on"; replace the word "a" with the word --said--, and delete the words "or flange".

Line 6, delete the words "or flange".

Line 7, replace the phrase "seals," with --seals;--

Line 8, delete the words "or flange".

Line 8, replace the word "a" with --an additional--.

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Please amend the drawings as per attachment C.

REMARKS

Applicant is herewith presenting claims 45-51. Claims 45-51 are directed to the invention of Group III of the parent application. The invention of Group III has been classified in class 53, subclass 459.

This amendment contains corrections to the specification, claims and drawings. Enclosed are amendments to the claims, an amended specification with brackets and underlying, and

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formal drawings including drawings of Figures 21-33. Drawings 21-33 were originally filed in the parent patent application, U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/899,434, as photographs with a Petition to the Commissioner seeking entrance thereof. Entrance was denied, but the specification describes the drawings and provides proper antecedent basis for the present drawings. Accordingly, entrance is respectfully requested.

In addition, a number of numbers described in the specification were not contained in the drawings or numbers were contained in the drawings that required deletion. The numbers circled in red on the attached sheets have been added and the numbers shown by dotted lines have been deleted. A complete set of drawings after correction and substitute specification is also attached. The substitute specification is attached as attachment B and includes no new matter. Entrance of the above-listed amendments to the drawings, substitute specification, and claims is respectfully requested.

The Applicant herewith provides the classification of the parent application: Class 156. The status and location of the parent application are as follows: Pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/899,434, filed July 24, 1997, is currently with Examiner John Paradiso and in Group Art Unit 3721.

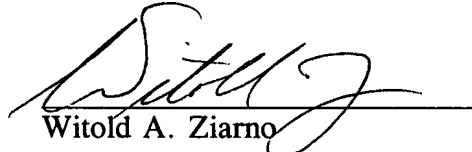
Applicant also submits herewith a true copy of the complete prior patent application as filed including the specification (with claims), drawings, photographs, declaration, and verified statement. A request to file this application under 37 CFR 1.60 has also been made.

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CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully requests an early and favorable Office Action. Additional fees can be charged or debited, if any, to Applicant's attorneys' Deposit Account No. 13-3080.

Respectfully submitted,



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